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1. The Rumanian Government will use the following vessels for shipment of cement to Red China: FORTUNE STAR¹ and HALCYON, each of 10,000 tons, and the REALMA², 9,000 tons. Sugar is also being exported to Red China, but not necessarily in these ships.
2. Cement for use in Rumania is now in very short supply. Practically no cement is available for private individuals as almost all the production is taken by the state. Authorizations for cement are now so hard to get from the government that even public works are being held up. Important public works now delayed by the cement shortage are the bridge over the Siret River, eight kilometers from Galati, and the enlargement of Casa Scanteiei. The Siret River bridge has been delayed for two months.
3. Most of the Rumanian cement now comes from the old Cantacuzino works at Braila, the old Bolomey works at Azuga, and the cement works at Sinaia.

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Comment: the SS REALMA, (4,225 gross tons and 2,555 net) Panamanian registry, had been chartered to carry 8,000 tons of cement from Constanta to Bangkok with loading to take place in late October 1952.

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